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PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1655 :

In re application of :

Willem J.M. VAN DE VEN et al. : **PLAG GENE FAMILY AND
TUMORIGENESIS**

Serial No. 09/242,772 :

Filed June 25, 1999 :

Examiner - Cynthia B. Wilder :

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
March 14, 2000

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time are in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2000. This response also addresses the restriction requirement made in the Action.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 26 and substitute new claim 47 therefor, and further delete claims 27, 30 and 31.

Please amend claims 28, 29 and 32 as follows:

Claim 28, line 1, delete "26" and insert --47-- therefor.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on March 14, 2000.

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